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FOLLOWING REPEAT PARIS 28403 ACTION SECSTAETE SEP 28.

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (CARTER, JIMMY)

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL TRIP: OUTLINE OF SCHEDULE  
AND SCHEDULING CONSIDERATIONS

REF: STATE 230546; PARIS 28328

1. DURING NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISOR BRZEZINSKI'S  
CALL ON PRESIDENT GISCARD SEPT 26, GISCARD OFFERED  
SOME SUGGESTIONS ON SCHEDULING FOR THE PRESIDENT'S  
VISIT TO PARIS. IN VIEW OF THE SHORT TIME IN  
PARIS, BOTH AGREED THAT PLANNING SHOULD PROCEED ON  
THE BASIS THAT EVENTS WOULD TAKE PLACE IN OR NEAR

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PARIS. GISCARD SUGGESTED A SMALL DINNER WITH LIMITED  
PARTICIPATION - PRESIDENT CARTER'S TEAM AND  
SIGNIFICANT MEMBERS OF THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT - ON  
NOV 29, THE EVENING OF THE PRESIDENT'S ARRIVAL. THE  
NEXT DAY PRESIDENT GISCARD SUGGESTED A VISIT TO THE  
ARC DE TRIOMPHE WITH BOTH PRESIDENTS AND THEIR  
WIVES WALKING UP THE CHAMPS ELYSEES. THIS COULD

BE FOLLOWED BY A SMALL LUNCHEON, WITH DISCUSSIONS THEREAFTER. LATER IN THE AFTERNOON PRESIDENT CARTER COULD RECEIVE ANYONE HE WISHED AT THE AMERICAN RESIDENCE. AS TO THE EVENING AFFAIR NOVEMBER 30, GISCARD INDICATED THAT ONE POSSIBILITY MIGHT BE A DINNER AT VERSAILLES WHICH - IN RESPONSE TO THE COMMENT THAT THE PRESIDENT LIKES INFORMALITY - HE SAID COULD BE KEPT INFORMAL EVEN IN SUCH A SETTING. GISCARD ALSO INDICATED HIS PREFERENCE THAT THE PRESIDENT MEET LEADERS OF THE MAJORITY AT THE DINNER OR LUNCHEON WHICH HE WOULD ORGANIZE.

2. IN GENERAL, PRESIDENT GISCARD NOTED THAT, SINCE THIS WAS GOING TO BE A SHORT VISIT IT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A WORKING VISIT WITH ADEQUATE TIMES FOR DISCUSSIONS. SECONDLY, HE FELT THERE SHOULD BE SOME SORT OF POPULAR EVENT THAT COULD TAKE PLACE OUTSIDE PARIS. THERE WAS SOME DISCUSSION OF A VISIT TO THE NORMANDY BEACHES, WHICH TERMINATED IN MUTUAL AGREEMENT THAT THIS WOULD TAKE TOO MUCH TIME.

3. AN ILLUSTRATIVE SCHEDULE BASED ON THESE FRENCH COMMENTS COULD LOOK SOMETHING LIKE THIS (IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT SUCH A SCHEDULE CUTS INTO THE PRIVATE TIME SET ASIDE FOR PRESIDENT CARTER BUT BRZEZINSKI'S SECRET

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DISCUSSION WITH GISCARD DID NOT APPEAR PROPER MOMENT TO INSIST ON OUR EXACT SCHEDULE DESIRES):

NOVEMBER 29

1800 ARRIVAL PARIS. ARRIVAL CEREMONY THEN PROCEED TO QUARTERS AT MARIGNY RESIDENCE.

2000 PRESIDENT GISCARD'S SMALL DINNER FOR PRESIDENT CARTER'S TEAM AND MEMBERS OF THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT.

NOVEMBER 30

1000 SUMMIT LEVEL DISCUSSIONS AT THE ELYSEE OR EVENT JUST OUTSIDE PARIS.

1130 WALK UP THE CHAMPS ELYSEES AND VISIT TO THE ARC DE TRIOMPHE.

1300 LUNCHEON INVOLVING LEADERS OF THE MAJORITY.

1500 SUMMIT LEVEL DISCUSSIONS AT ELYSEE CONTINUE.

1630 POSSIBLE CALL BY MITTERRAND AT  
AMERICAN EMBASSY RESIDENCE IF HE  
SHOULD REQUEST ONE.  
1700-1930 PRIVATE TIME.  
2000 DEPARTURE FOR STATE DINNER, PERHAPS

AT VERSAILLES.

DECEMBER 1

0900 DEPART PARIS FOR WARSAW.

4. WHILE RECOGNIZING THAT WE WISH TO BE AS  
RESPONSIVE TO GISCARD'S WISHES AS POSSIBLE, IN  
REACTING TO FRENCH PROPOSALS WE MIGHT WISH TO  
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DISCUSS WAYS TO BROADEN THE PRESIDENT'S CONTACTS  
WITH FRENCH LEADERS AND THE FRENCH PEOPLE. FOR  
EXAMPLE, WE MIGHT SUGGEST, IF GISCARD THINKS IT  
APPROPRIATE, A VISIT TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY.  
AS FOR VERSAILLES, IT WILL PROBABLY BE FAIRLY  
DIFFICULT TO HOLD DOWN THE FORMALITY ON SUCH AN  
OCCASION, BUT PERHAPS WE SHOULD WAIT FOR THE  
FRENCH TO PROVIDE FURTHER DETAILS.

5. THE ELYSEE IS AWAITING U.S. REACTION TO GISCARD'S  
PROPOSALS. PENDING OUR RECEIPT OF GUIDANCE FROM  
WASHINGTON, IT SEEMS PREMATURE TO DISCUSS A PROGRAM  
FOR MRS. CARTER WITH THE FRENCH. MY OWN VIEW IS  
THAT A SEPARATE SCHEDULE WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA  
SINCE A GOOD DEAL OF THE PRESIDENT'S TIME MAY BE  
TAKEN UP BY WORKING MEETINGS WITH OFFICIALS AND  
LEADERS. IT COULD INCLUDE, ILLUSTRATIVELY, VISITS  
TO A MENTAL HEALTH FACILITY, TO AN OPEN-AIR MARKET,  
TO NOTRE DAME CATHEDRAL, TO A PRIMARY SCHOOL, TO  
THE SITE OF THE PROPOSED NEW WING OF THE AMERICAN  
HOSPITAL (TO LAY THE CORNERSTONE), TO THE  
POMPIDOU CULTURAL CENTER, ETC.

6. WE HAVE MADE THIS CABLE NODIS IN VIEW OF ITS  
REFERENCE TO DR. BRZEZINSKI'S HIGH-LEVEL DISCUSSION.  
DEPARTMENT PLEASE ADVISE DISTRIBUTION DESIGNATION  
TO BE USED IN FUTURE COMMUNICATIONS ON PRESIDENT'S  
SCHEDULE.  
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